

Claim 1 (amended):

A pro-apoptotic composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier, and an excretory-secretory product, isolatable from *Necator americanus*, capable of inducing apoptosis in reactive T-cells.

Claim 3 (twice amended):

A pro-apoptotic composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable diluent or carrier, and an excretory-secretory product, isolatable from *Necator americanus*, capable of inducing apoptosis in reactive T-cells.

Claim 6 (amended):

A method for treating cancer wherein said method comprises administering, to a mammal in need of such treatment, an effective amount of an excretory-secretory product isolatable from *Necator americanus*, capable of inducing apoptosis in reactive T-cells.

Claim 8 (amended):

A method for treating inflammation wherein said method comprises administering, to a mammal in need of such treatment, an effective amount of isolatable from *Necator americanus*, capable of inducing apoptosis in reactive T-cells.